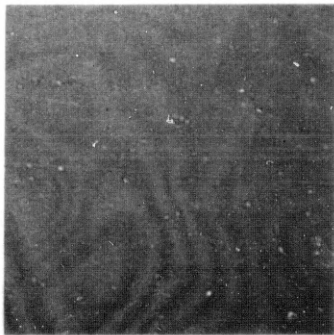
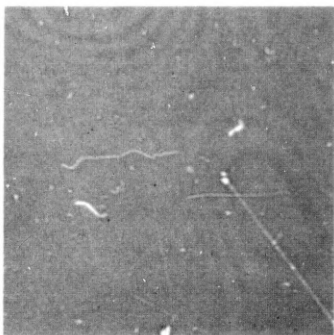
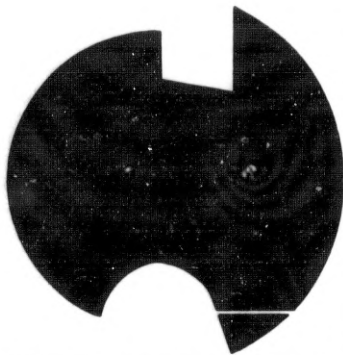


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1978



Values are shown in terms of Australian dollars (\$)

# Population

1966-67 1974-75 1975-76 1976-77

Total population, June	'000	11,799	13,771	13,916	14,074
Births	"	228	240	231	227
Natural increase (births—deaths)	"	105	125	121	115
Overseas movement: excess of arrivals over departures	"	87	39	20	56
Permanent and long-term arrivals	"	189	173	135	156
Short-term visitors arriving	"	198	520	530	540
Students — school (August)	"	2,502	2,878	2,919	2,960
— university (April)	"	95	148	154	158
— college of advanced education (April)	"	n.a.	123	135	140

## Domestic product and national expenditure

Gross Domestic Product (GDP)	\$m	22,533	60,575	71,278	82,224
Personal consumption expenditure	"	13,955	35,127	41,568	47,814
Food and drink	"	4,377	9,231	10,794	12,339
Household durables	"	1,021	3,020	3,786	4,187
Travel and communication	"	2,020	5,402	6,543	7,340
Gross fixed capital expenditure	"	6,008	14,356	16,900	19,169
Private	"	3,828	8,694	10,254	12,014
Public authorities	"	2,180	5,662	6,646	7,155
Gross farm product	"	2,345	3,685	3,780	4,035
GDP at 1974-75 prices	"	3,296	3,685	3,820	3,934
GDP per head (at current prices)	\$	1,918	4,422	5,148	5,877

## Household income (aggregate)

Total	\$m	17,929	51,851	60,416	69,693
Wages, salaries and supplements	"	11,640	35,409	40,589	46,053
Unincorporated enterprise income	"	5,000	11,824	13,378	16,045
Transfers from general govt	"	1,289	4,618	6,449	7,785
Household disposable income	"	15,510	42,671	49,475	58,918

## Government finance

Current receipts (all governments)	\$m	6,131	18,757	22,797	26,668
Federal Government taxes	"	4,492	14,152	16,957	19,740
Income tax, persons	"	1,821	7,709	9,213	11,047
companies	"	780	2,344	2,505	2,788
Customs and excise duties	"	1,081	2,569	3,375	3,759
Sales tax	"	381	1,154	1,408	1,650
State and local government taxes	"	968	3,523	4,382	5,013
Total outlay, current and capital (all governments)	"	7,390	22,849	27,506	31,732
Final consumption expenditure	"	2,898	9,180	11,316	13,249
Education	"	551	2,741	3,383	4,067
Defence	"	839	1,425	1,577	1,821
Gross fixed capital expenditure	"	2,160	5,568	6,574	7,036
Economic services	"	1,593	3,451	4,050	4,463
Housing and community amenities	"	192	782	891	932
Education	"	167	656	701	662

Gross value of primary production	\$m	3,915	6,212	6,567	7,228
Crops	"	1,550	3,206	3,250	3,192
Livestock slaughtering, etc.	"	789	1,019	1,246	1,682
Livestock products	"	1,394	1,653	1,680	1,876
Forestry, fishing and hunting	"	183	334	392	477
Output					
Wheat	'000 tonnes	12,699	11,357	11,982	11,667
Wool	'000 tonnes	799	794	754	703
Meat	'000 tonnes	1,617	2,249	2,602	2,722
Mining production (a)					
Value added (b)	\$m	513	2,669	3,068	3,562
Output					
Metallic content of minerals					
Copper	'000 tonnes	110	236	218	217
Lead	"	365	417	397	418
Zinc	"	369	508	479	475
Iron	"	7,385	60,860	58,263	60,164
Bauxite	"	1,798	22,205	19,755	22,806
Black coal	"	33,334	70,142	69,269	75,982
Crude oil	'000 cu m	539	23,096	23,839	24,549
Natural gas	mil cu m	4,049	4,633	5,172	6,093
Manufacturing					
Value added (c)	\$m	(d)	15,232	16,921	19,250
Metal products, transport equipment, machinery, etc.	"	n.s.	6,627	7,084	8,092
Food, beverages, tobacco	"	n.s.	2,651	3,074	3,506
Textiles, clothing, footwear	"	n.s.	1,106	1,384	1,457
Paper and products, printing	"	n.s.	1,279	1,391	1,654
Chemicals, petroleum products	"	n.s.	1,165	1,282	1,454
Output					
Ingot steel	'000 tonnes	6,212	7,856	7,832	7,473
Cement	"	3,719	5,273	5,100	5,039
Beer	m litres	1,335	1,954	1,916	1,939
Tobacco and cigarettes	m kg	26.3	28.6	27.9	29.8
Cars and station wagons	'000	296	377	364	367
Electricity output	m kWh	41,484	73,933	76,597	82,532
Building		(e)	(e)	(e)	(e)
New houses (number completed)	'000	82.0	97.0	99.9	110.4
New other dwellings (number completed)	"	29.9	44.1	32.1	34.4
Value of new dwellings completed	\$m	915	2,454	2,799	3,635
Value of other buildings completed	"	819	1,784	2,267	2,446
Retail Sales (excluding motor vehicles, parts, petrol, etc)	\$m	7,050	16,215	18,882	21,356

(a) Mining figures for 1966-67 relate to the calendar year 1966.

(b) Turnover, plus increase (or less decrease) in the value of stocks less purchases, transfers in and selected expenses.

(c) See footnote (b) above. Figures from 1974-75 relate only to manufacturing establishments owned by multi-establishment enterprises and single establishment manufacturing enterprises with four or more persons employed.

(d) Value added details for 1966-67 are not available.

(e) Excludes alterations and additions to dwellings from 1973-74.

## Transport

1966-67 1974-75 1975-76 1976-77

Motor vehicles on register, June	'000	4,107	6,333	6,660	6,821
Cars and station wagons, June	"	3,140	4,896	5,124	5,243
Cars and station wagons per 1,000 persons, June	no.	266	363	378	373
New motor vehicles registered	'000	403	692	644	632
Civil aviation (passenger km)					
Regular internal services	mil	3,174	7,579	7,483	
Overseas services (Australian airlines)	"	2,589	9,434	10,542	
Railways (Government)—					
Freight tonnes carried	'000	69,583	103,465	104,355	109,727
Passenger journeys	"	454,735	339,954	317,213	326,874

## Labour force

				(a)	(a)
Civilian labour force, May—total	'000	4,934	5,940	6,088	6,386
—males	"	3,433	3,896	3,961	4,085
—females	"	1,501	2,044	2,128	2,301

## Proportion of total labour force, May

Manufacturing	%	27.6	22.1	21.6	n.a.
Primary production (excl. mining)	"	9.2	6.6	6.3	n.a.
Construction	"	8.4	9.2	8.8	n.a.
Unemployed persons, May—total	'000	79	230	248	354
Registered job vacancies, June	"	29	26	19	19
Trade union membership, December	"	2,124	2,762	2,814	2,792
Industrial disputes, working days lost	"	794	3,957	3,005	3,144

## Wages, weekly earnings and hours

Wage rates index (base 1954 = 100)					
adult males, 30 June		155	139	459	510
Earnings (per employed male unit)	\$	61.90	148.30	169.60	190.80
Hours (incl. overtime), adult males, private employees, October			42.0	41.3	41.3

## Price indexes

Consumer (6 capital cities)	1966-67 = 100	100	171	193	220
Export	1959-60 = 100	105	181	187	206
Building materials					
House	1966-67 = 100	100.0	183.4	208.1	232.9
Other	1966-67 = 100	100.0	179.2	206.2	230.3
Manufacturing					
Materials used	1968-69 = 100	n.a.	145.1	158.6	182.2
Articles produced	1968-69 = 100	n.a.	158.1	177.8	196.9

## Balance of payments

Balance on current account	\$m	-654	-943	-1,108	-1,936
Trade balance (B.O.P. basis)	"	79	838	1,484	1,049
Balance on invisibles	"	-733	-1,781	-2,591	-2,985
Capital account: net apparent capital inflow	"	530	478	87	1,446
Overseas investment in Australian companies	"	516	882	744	1,471
Australian investment overseas	"	39	130	161	160
Net monetary movements	"	-124	-464	-1,020	-491

(a) Estimates for May 1976 and May 1977 are based on revised definitions of unemployment and labour force, and are not comparable with previous years.

Total exports, f.o.b.	\$m	3,024	8,728	9,840	11,646
Total imports, (a)	"	3,045	8,080	8,240	10,411
Percentage of total exports to Japan	%	19.4	28.2	33.1	34.0
U.K.	"	13.4	5.5	4.2	4.6
U.S.A.	"	11.8	9.5	10.1	8.7
Percentage of total imports from Japan	"	9.7	17.6	19.5	20.7
U.K.	"	23.8	15.0	13.5	10.9
U.S.A.	"	25.7	20.7	20.1	20.8
Major export commodities, f.o.b.					
Wool (greasy)	\$m	726	664	842	1,276
Meat (fresh, chilled, frozen)	"	252	418	634	839
Wheat	"	361	1,028	921	863
Machinery and transport equipment	"	145	565	496	483
Iron ore and concentrates	"	46	706	771	902
Coal, coke and briquettes	"	72	721	1,063	1,282
Sugar	"	100	644	570	637
Major import commodities, (a)					
Machinery (non-electrical)	"	554	1,358	1,339	1,706
Road motor vehicles	"	46	778	864	1,089
Petroleum and petroleum products	"	247	724	807	996

## Finance

Trading bank deposits, June balances	"	5,614	14,937	16,956	19,086
Savings bank deposits, June balances	"	5,765	12,869	14,823	16,365
Trading bank advances at June	"	3,548	11,205	12,560	13,985
Finance companies, balances outstanding, June	"	n.a.	10,747	12,425	15,091
Housing advances					
Savings banks (loans approved to individuals)	"	n.a.	1,768	(b) 2,177	1,884
Permanent building societies (loans approved)	"	n.a.	737	(b) 1,651	1,580
Australian Government expenditure					
Aust. Govt—State housing finance	"	128	412	399	410
Defence Service Homes (capital)	"	59	156	92	23
Life insurance: sum insured on new policies	"	3,052	13,718	16,038	18,447
New money raised by listed companies in Australia					
—shares	"	112	171	332	472
—debentures, secured loans etc.	"	200	949	1,094	1,210
Rate on long-term Australian Govt securities, June	% p.a.	5.25	9.50	10.20	10.49

(a) Import figures from 1976-77 are not comparable with previous years because of a change in the basis of valuation.

(b) Change in scope and coverage from October 1975. Not directly comparable with previous years.

## Notes

Important components of the principal aggregates are indicated by indentation.

Generally, figures are for the period 1 July-30 June; where indicated, they are for a specific month within the period.

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In those cases where all components are shown, any discrepancies between sums of components and totals are due to rounding.

## States of Australia (1976-77 figures)

		N. S. W.	Vic.	Qld
Area	'000 sq km	802	228	1,727
Population (June 1976)	'000	4,914	3,746	2,112
Crops (area sown)	'000 hectares	4,535	1,947	2,083
Number of sheep	mil	49.7	21.9	13.3
Number of cattle	"	8.3	5.1	11.5
Output				
Wool (greasy basis)	m kg	232.9	126.1	64.4
Wheat for grain	'000 tonnes	5,141	1,647	794
Beef and veal	"	598	508	532
Mutton and lamb	"	164	187	26
Whole milk	m litres	943	3,212	624
Copper (metallic content)	'000 tonnes	11	..	156
Lead (metallic content)	"	225	..	173
Zinc (metallic content)	"	283	..	121
Iron (metallic content)	"	..	1	..
Bauxite	"	6	6	9,982
Coal (brown in Victoria)		45,986	30,994	25,544
Gross value of production				
Agriculture	\$m	2,078.8	1,366.2	1,422.6
Forestry, fishing and hunting	"	111.3	77.0	65.8
Value added				
Mining	"	855	549	913
Manufacturing (1975-76 figures) (a)	"	6,371	5,765	1,800
Income per head of mean population	\$	5,070	5,222	4,565

(a) Includes all manufacturing establishments owned by multi-establishment enterprises and single establishments.

## Capital cities

		Sydney	Melbourne	Brisbane
Population (June 1976)	'000	3,021	2,604	958
Average annual rainfall	mm	1,215	661	1,157
Average daily hours of sunshine		6.7	5.7	7.5
Temperature				
January, average maximum	°C	25.7	25.8	29.4
average minimum	"	18.3	13.9	20.6
July, average maximum	"	15.8	13.3	20.3
average minimum	"	7.8	5.7	9.4

## Exchange Rate of \$A1 — Average for January 1978 (selling rates)

U. K.	U. S. A.	Japan	New Zealand
59 new pence	U.S.\$1.14	273 Yen	N.Z.\$1.113
Germany (F. R.)	Canada	France	Italy
2.39 D.M.	Can.\$1.24	5.33 Francs	986 Lire

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984	2,526	68	1,346	2	7,682
1,282	1,170	407	101	203	13,916
2,036	4,418	67	2	1	15,089
15.1	31.2	4.0	..	0.1	135.3
1.6	2.5	0.8	1.7	..	31.5
94.3	166.4	18.1	..	0.4	702.7
832	3,249	4	..	1	11,667
110	160	57	17	5	1,098
59	94	17	..	3	549
355	206	423	..	1	5,765
16	6	23	5	..	217
..	..	20	..	..	418
2	..	70	..	..	475
2,201	56,361	1,601	..	..	60,164
..	11,028	..	1,785	..	22,806
1,920	2,339	194	..	..	106,977
716.8	957.1	178.7	25.5	4.9	6,750.6
49.1	97.1	65.1	8.0	7.9	447.4
105	908	119	112	2	3,562
1,486	944	456	46	53	16,921
4,857	4,765	4,697	4,856	6,316	4,995

ment manufacturing enterprises with four or more persons employed.

Adelaide	Perth	Hobart	Darwin	Canberra
900	805	162	43	196
531	879	633	1,536	639
6.9	7.9	5.9	8.5	7.2
29.6	29.5	21.4	32.2	27.5
16.4	17.6	11.5	25.0	12.9
15.0	17.3	11.4	30.4	11.1
7.3	9.0	4.4	19.6	-0.3

#### Occupied Private Dwellings—Census 30 June 1976 (Preliminary)

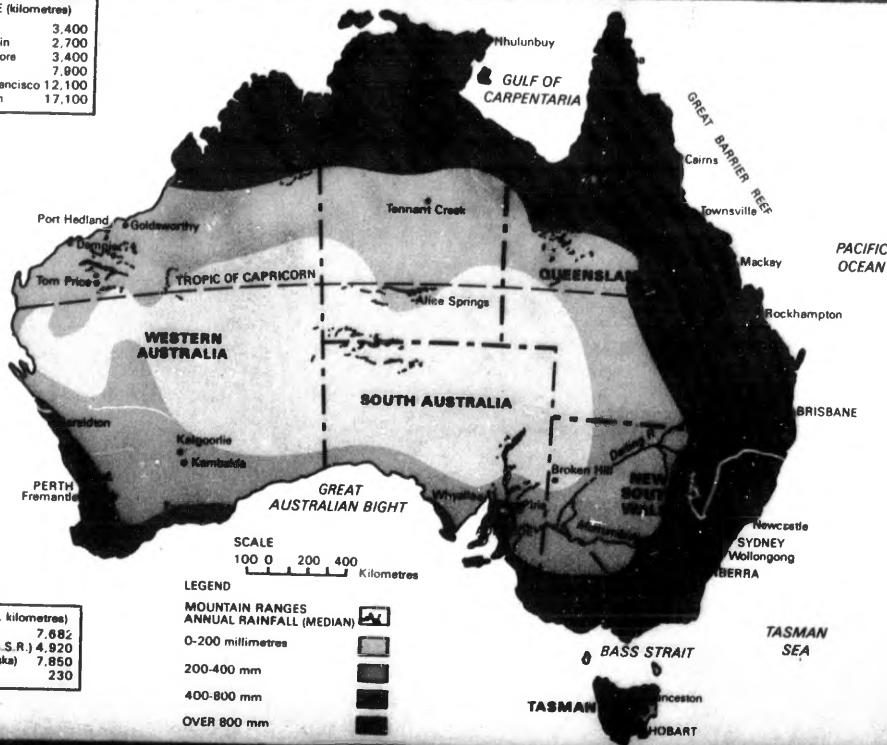
Total occupied dwellings	No.	4,144,626
Persons per dwelling	No.	3.12

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**DISTANCE (kilometres)**

Sydney-Perth	3,400
Adelaide-Darwin	2,700
Darwin-Singapore	3,400
Sydney-Tokyo	7,900
Sydney-San Francisco	12,100
Sydney-London	17,100

INDIAN OCEAN



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**LEGEND**

**MOUNTAIN RANGES**  
**ANNUAL RAINFALL (MEDIAN)**

0-200 millimetres

200-400 mm

400-800 mm

OVER 800 mm



**AREA ('000 sq. kilometres)**

Australia	7,682
Europe (excl. U.S.S.R.)	4,920
U.S.A. (excl. Alaska)	7,850
United Kingdom	230